

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 16, 1995

SUBJECT: **SB 835 - HB 1168**

This bill, if enacted, will provide for the computation of the use or rental charge which municipal electric systems and electric cooperatives may assess for the use of their poles and rights-of-way. Presently, both municipal electric systems and electric cooperatives allow communication companies and other utilities to use available space to hang their transmission lines and a charge has been assessed by both electric systems for such use.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be a decrease in revenues to local governments and electric cooperatives to the extent that the pole usage rates presently charged by such electric systems are in excess of the monthly charge calculated in accordance with the method outlined in the bill. A reasonable estimate of the decrease cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$500,000 to local governments and exceed \$300,000 to electric cooperatives.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director